

# Daily Digest

## HIGHLIGHTS

Senate passed the Water Resources Development Act.

## Senate

### Chamber Action

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**Measures Introduced:** Seven bills were introduced, as follows: S. 3100–3106. **Page S9195**

#### Measures Reported:

S. 1331, to give Lincoln County, Nevada, the right to purchase at fair market value certain public land in the county, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 106–417)

S. 2950, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to establish the Sand Creek Massacre Historic Site in the State of Colorado, with amendments. (S. Rept. No. 106–418)

H.R. 3084, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to contribute funds for the establishment of an interpretative center on the life and contributions of President Abraham Lincoln, with an amendment. (S. Rept. No. 106–419) **Page S9195**

#### Measures Passed:

**Water Resources Development Act:** By 85 yeas to 1 nay (Vote No. 255), Senate passed S. 2796, to provide for the conservation and development of water and related resources, and to authorize the Secretary of the Army to construct various projects for improvements to rivers and harbors of the United States, after agreeing to the following amendment proposed thereto: **Pages S9142–81**

Smith (of N.H.) (for Abraham) Amendment No. 4188, to express the sense of the Congress with respect to U.S.-Canadian cooperation on development of conservation standards embodying the principles of water conservation and resource improvement for making decisions concerning the withdrawal and use of water from the Great Lakes Basin. **Page S9151**

**National Veterans Awareness Week:** Senate agreed to S. Res. 304, expressing the sense of the Senate regarding the development of educational programs on veterans' contributions to the country and the designation of the week of November 5,

2000, as "National Veterans Awareness Week" for the presentation of such educational programs.

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**Veterans Claims Assistance Act:** Committee on Veterans' Affairs was discharged from further consideration of H.R. 4864, to amend title 38, United States Code, to reaffirm and clarify the duty of the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to assist claimants for benefits under laws administered by the Secretary, and the bill was then passed, after agreeing to the following amendment proposed thereto:

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Brownback (for Specter/Rockefeller) Amendment No. 4189, in the nature of a substitute.

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**National Energy Security Act:** Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of S. 2557, to protect the energy security of the United States and decrease America's dependency on foreign oil sources to 50 percent by the Year 2010 by enhancing the use of renewable energy resources, conserving energy resources, improving energy efficiencies, and increasing domestic energy supplies, mitigating the effect of increases in energy prices on the American consumer, including the poor and the elderly.

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**Messages From the President:** Senate received the following messages from the President of the United States:

Transmitting, pursuant to law, the periodic report on the national emergency with respect to Iran; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs. (PM–130)

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Transmitting, pursuant to law, the report on the national emergency with respect to National Union for the Total Independence of Angola (UNITA); to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs. (PM–131)

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**Nominations Received:** Senate received the following nominations:

Donald L. Fixico, of Kansas, to be a Member of the National Council on the Humanities for a term expiring January 26, 2004.

Paulette H. Holahan, of Louisiana, to be a Member of the National Commission on Libraries and Information Science for a term expiring July 19, 2004.

Marilyn Gell Mason, of Florida, to be a Member of the National Commission on Libraries and Information Science for a term expiring July 19, 2003.

John J. Wilson, of Maryland, to be Administrator of the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention.

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**Text of S. 2511, as Previously Passed:**  
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**Enrolled Bills Signed:** **Page S9195**

**Record Votes:** One record vote was taken today.  
(Total—255) **Page S9152**

**Recess:** Senate convened at 12 noon, and recessed at 6:53 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Tuesday, September 26, 2000. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S9208.)

## Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

### TRADE INJURY COMPENSATION

*Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry:* Subcommittee on Forestry, Conservation, and Rural Revitalization concluded hearings on S. 2709, to establish a Beef Industry Compensation Trust Fund with the duties imposed on products of countries that fail to comply with certain WTO dispute resolution decisions, after receiving testimony from Timothy J. Galvin, Administrator, Foreign Agricultural Service, Department of Agriculture; and Dale Moore, National Cattlemen's Beef Association, and Peter L. Scher, Mayer, Brown & Platt, Washington, D.C., former United States Trade Representative Special Agricultural Trade Negotiator.

### ANTI-COMPETITIVE LIVESTOCK MARKET

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Subcommittee on Administrative Oversight and the Courts concluded oversight hearings to examine the General Accounting Office report on the enforcement efforts of the Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration of the Department of Agriculture with respect to anti-competitive activity in the livestock market, after receiving testimony from Michael V. Dunn, Under Secretary of Agriculture for Marketing and Regulatory Affairs; and Lawrence J. Dyckman, Director, Food and Agriculture Issues, Resources, Community, and Economic Development Division, General Accounting Office.

# House of Representatives

## Chamber Action

**Bills Introduced:** 18 public bills, H.R. 5271–5288; 2 private bills, H.R. 5289–5290; and 5 resolutions, H.J. Res. 109; H. Con. Res. 407–408, and H. Res. 590, 593, were introduced. **Page H8061**

**Reports Filed:** Reports were filed today as follows.

H.R. 2641, to make technical corrections to title X of the Energy Policy Act of 1992, amended (H. Rept. 106–886);

H. Res. 591, providing for consideration of H.J. Res. 109, making continuing appropriations for the fiscal year 2001 (H. Rept. 106–887); and

H. Res. 592, waiving a requirement of clause 6(a) of rule XIII with respect to the same day consider-

ation of certain resolutions reported from the Committee on Rules (H. Rept. 106–888). **Page H8060**

**Speaker pro tempore:** Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated Representative LaHood to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H7999**

**Recess:** The House recessed at 12:31 p.m. and reconvened at 2 p.m. **Page H7999**

**Recess:** The House recessed at 2:55 p.m. and reconvened at 2:58 p.m. **Page H8008**

**Recess:** The House recessed at 3:18 p.m. and reconvened at 5:05 p.m. **Page H8019**

**Presidential Messages:** Read the following messages from the President:

**National Emergency Re Angola:** Message wherein he transmitted his report on the National Emergency with respect to the National Union for the total Independence of Angola—referred to the Committee on International Relations and ordered printed (H. Doc. 106–294); **Page H8000**

**National Emergency Re Angola:** Message wherein he transmitted his 6 month periodic report on the National Emergency with respect to the National Union for the total Independence of Angola—referred to the Committee on International Relations and ordered printed (H. Doc. 106–296); and **Page H8036**

**National Emergency Re Iran:** Message wherein he transmitted his report on the National Emergency with respect to Iran—referred to the Committee on International Relations and ordered printed (H. Doc. 106–297). **Page H8036**

**Suspensions:** The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

**25th Anniversary of IDEA:** H. Con. Res. 399, recognizing the 25th anniversary of the enactment of the Education for All Handicapped Children Act of 1975 (agreed to by a yea and nay vote of 359 yeas to 2 nays, Roll No. 487); **Pages H8000–05, H8031–32**

**College Scholarship Fraud Prevention Act:** S. 1455, to enhance protections against fraud in the offering of financial assistance for college education—clearing the measure for the President. Subsequently, the House agreed to H. Con. Res. 407, to direct the Secretary of the Senate to correct technical errors in the enrollment of the bill; **Pages H8005–06**

**Hmong Veterans' Naturalization Act Amendments:** H.R. 5234, to amend the Hmong Veterans' Naturalization Act of 2000 to extend the applicability of that Act to certain former spouses of deceased Hmong veterans; **Pages H8006–08**

**Small Business Innovation Research Program Reauthorization:** H. Res. 590, providing for the concurrence by the House with an amendment in the amendment of the Senate to H.R. 2392, to amend the Small Business Act to extend the authorization for the Small Business Innovation Research Program; **Pages H8008–18**

**Frederick L. Dewberry, Jr. Post Office Building, Baltimore, Maryland:** H.R. 4451, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1001 Frederick Road in Baltimore, Maryland, as the "Frederick L. Dewberry, Jr. Post Office Building"; **Pages H8018–19**

**International Food Relief Partnership Act:** H.R. 5244, amended, to amend the Agriculture Trade Development and Assistance Act of 1954 to authorize

assistance for the stockpiling and rapid transportation, delivery, and distribution of shelf stable pre-packaged foods to needy individuals in foreign countries; **Pages H8019–21**

**Penalties for Export Administration Act Violations:** H.R. 5239, amended, to provide for increased penalties for violations of the Export Administration Act of 1979; **Pages H8021–22**

**Serbia and Montenegro Democracy Act:** H.R. 1064, amended, to authorize a coordinated program to promote the development of democracy in Serbia and Montenegro; **Pages H8022–29**

**Asian Pacific Charter Commission Act:** H.R. 4899, amended, to establish a commission to promote a consistent and coordinated foreign policy of the United States to ensure economic and military security in the Pacific region of Asia through the promotion of democracy, human rights, the rule of law, free trade, and open markets, Agreed to amend the title; and **Pages H8029–31**

**Suspension Vote Postponed on 25th Anniversary of the Helsinki Final Act:** The House completed debate on the motion to suspend the rules and pass H.J. Res. 100, calling upon the President to issue a proclamation recognizing the 25th anniversary of the Helsinki Final Act. Further proceedings were postponed until Tuesday, September 26. **Pages H8032–36**

**Senate Message:** Message received from the Senate appears on page H7999.

**Referrals:** S. 2511, was referred to the committee on Resources. **Page H8059**

**Quorum Calls—Votes:** One yea and nay vote developed during the proceedings of the House today and appears on pages H8031–32. There were no quorum calls.

**Adjournment:** The House met at 12:30 p.m. and adjourned at 10:09.

## Committee Meetings

### ETHNIC MINORITY DISPARITIES IN CANCER TREATMENT

**Committee on Government Reform:** Held a hearing on Ethnic Minority Disparities in Cancer Treatment: Why the Unequal Burden? Testimony was heard from Representatives Jackson of Illinois and Thompson of Mississippi; Harold P. Freeman, M.S., Associate Director, Racial Disparities, National Cancer Institute, Department of Health and Human Services; and public witnesses.

## CONTINUING APPROPRIATIONS

*Committee on Rules:* Granted, by voice vote, a closed rule providing one hour of debate in the House on H.J. Res. 109, making continuing appropriations for the fiscal year 2001, equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Appropriations. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the joint resolution. The rule provides one motion to recommit. Testimony was heard from Chairman Young of Florida.

## THE SAME DAY CONSIDERATION OF CERTAIN RESOLUTIONS REPORTED BY THE RULES COMMITTEE

*Committee on Rules:* Granted, by voice vote, a rule waiving clause 6(a) of rule XIII (requiring a two-thirds vote to consider a rule on the same day it is reported from the Rules Committee) against certain resolutions reported from the Rules Committee. The rule applies the waiver to a special rule reported on the legislative day of September 26, 2000, providing for consideration or disposition of a conference report to accompany the bill (H.R. 4578) making appropriations for the Department of the Interior and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2001, or any amendment reported in disagreement from a conference thereon. Finally, the rule lays H. Res. 586 on the table.

## COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, 2000

*(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)*

### Senate

*Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:* Subcommittee on Housing and Transportation, to hold hearings to examine HUD's performance management, 10:30 a.m., SD-538.

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* to hold oversight hearings on the activities of the National Railroad Passenger Corporation (AMTRAK), 9:30 a.m., SR-253.

*Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:* to hold oversight hearings to examine the current outlook for supply of heating and transportation fuels this winter, 9:30 a.m., SD-366.

Subcommittee on Forests and Public Land Management, to hold hearings on S. 3044, to establish the Las Cienegas National Conservation Area in the State of Arizona; S. 3052, to designate wilderness areas and a cooperative management and protection area in the vicinity of Steens Mountain in Harney County, Oregon; and S. 3039, to authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to sell a Forest Service administrative site occupied by the Rocky Mountain Research Station located in Boise, Idaho, and use the proceeds derived from the sale to purchase inter-

ests in a multiagency research and education facility to be constructed by the University of Idaho, 2:30 p.m., SD-366.

*Committee on Environment and Public Works:* to hold hearings on S. 1763, to amend the Solid Waste Disposal Act to reauthorize the Office of Ombudsman of the Environmental Protection Agency; S. 1915, to enhance the services provided by the Environmental Protection Agency to small communities that are attempting to comply with national, State, and local environmental regulations; S. 2296, to provide grants for special environmental assistance for the regulation of communities and habitat (SEARCH) to small communities; and S. 2800, to require the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency to establish an integrated environmental reporting system, 9:30 a.m., SD-406.

Full Committee, business meeting to consider pending calendar business, 10:30 a.m., S-216, Capitol.

*Committee on Finance:* Subcommittee on Social Security and Family Policy, to hold hearings to examine IRS collection of child support payments, 2:30 p.m., SD-215.

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* to hold hearings to examine U.S. foreign policy at the end of the current administration, 10:30 a.m., SD-419.

*Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions:* to hold hearings to examine biotechnology and consumer confidence of food, 9:30 a.m., SD-430.

*Select Committee on Intelligence:* with the Committee on the Judiciary, to hold joint oversight hearings to examine the Wen Ho Lee case, 9:30 a.m., SH-216.

Full Committee, to hold closed hearings on pending intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., SH-219.

*Committee on the Judiciary:* with the Select Committee on Intelligence, to hold joint oversight hearings to examine the Wen Ho Lee case, 9:30 a.m., SH-216.

Subcommittee on Criminal Justice Oversight, to hold oversight hearings to examine the United States Sentencing Commission, 2:30 p.m., SD-226.

*Committee on Veterans' Affairs:* to hold joint hearings with the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs on the Legislative recommendation of the American Legion, 9:30 a.m., 345, Cannon Building.

### House

*Committee on Agriculture,* Subcommittee on Livestock and Horticulture, hearing on H.R. 1144, Country-of-Origin Meat Labeling Act of 1999, 11 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

*Committee on Commerce,* to mark up the following measures: H.R. 2441, Fairness in Securities Transactions Act; H.R. 1798, Clinical Research Enhancement Act of 1999; H.R. 762, Lupus Research and Care Amendments of 1999; and the Beneficiary Improvement and Protection Act of 2000, 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

*Committee on Education and the Workforce,* hearing on the Importance of Literacy, 9:30 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing on Federal Prison Industries (FPI): Diverting Federal Property from the Computers for Learning and Other Programs to Expand FPI's Commercial Sales, 1 p.m., 2175 Rayburn.

*Committee on Government Reform*, hearing on “Contacts Between Northrup Grumman Corporation and the White House Regarding Missing White House E-Mails,” 2 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Civil Service, hearing on Wildland Firefighters Pay: Are There Inequities? 10 a.m., 2203 Rayburn.

*Committee on International Relations*, hearing on U.N. Inspections of Iraq’s Weapons of Mass Destruction Program: Has Saddam Won? and to consider the Peace Through Negotiations Act of 2000, 10 a.m., 2200 Rayburn.

*Committee on the Judiciary*, to continue markup of H.R. 5018, Electronic Communications Privacy Act of 2000 and to mark up the following: H.R. 2121, Secret Evidence Repeal Act of 1999; and private relief bills, 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

*Committee on Ways and Means*, Subcommittee on Oversight, hearing on the Tax Code and the New Economy, 1 p.m., 1100 Longworth.

Subcommittee on Social Security, hearing on Social Security Notices, 10 a.m., B-318 Rayburn.

*Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence*, executive, briefing on Update on DOE/NNSA, 3 p.m., and, executive, hearing on Status of Counterespionage Investigations, 4 p.m., H-405 Capitol.

### Joint Meetings

*Joint Meetings*: Senate Committee on Veterans’ Affairs, to hold joint hearings with the House Committee on Veterans’ Affairs on the Legislative recommendation of the American Legion, 9:30 a.m., 345, Cannon Building.

*Next Meeting of the SENATE*

9:30 a.m., Tuesday, September 26

## Senate Chamber

**Program for Tuesday:** Senate will resume consideration of S. 2045, H-1B Nonimmigrant Visa, with a vote on the motion to close further debate on Lott Amendment No. 4178 (to Amendment No. 4177), to occur at 10:15 a.m. (If cloture is not invoked, Senate expects to resume consideration of the motion to proceed to the consideration of S. 2557, National Energy Security Act.)

*(Senate will recess from 12:30 p.m. until 2:15 p.m. for their respective party conferences.)*

*Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES*

9 a.m., Tuesday, September 26

## House Chamber

**Program for Tuesday:** Consideration of H.J. Res 109, Making further continuing appropriations for the fiscal year 2001, and for other purposes. (closed rule, one hour of debate)

Consideration of H.R. 3100, Know Your Caller Act of 2000 (corrections calendar);

Consideration of Suspensions:

1. H.R. 5117—Missing Children Tax Fairness Act of 2000;
2. H.R. 4519—Baylee's Law;
3. H.R. 2572—Apollo Exploration Award;
4. H.R. 4429—Electronic Commerce Enhancement Act of 2000;
5. H.R. 4946—National Small Business Regulatory Assistance Act of 2000;
6. H.R. 4944—Export Working Capital Loan Improvement Act of 2000;

7. H.R. 4613—National Historic Lighthouse Preservation Act of 2000 ;

8. H.R. 3745—Effigy Mounds National Monument Additions;

9. H.R. 2752—Lincoln County Lands Act;

10. H.R. 2267—Willing Seller Amendments of 2000 to the National Trails System Act;

11. S. 1324—Gettysburg Park Expansion;

12. H.R. 4835—George Washington Memorial Parkway Land Exchange;

13. H.R. 5036—Dayton Aviation Heritage Preservation Amendments Act;

14. H.R. 4904—United States relationship with Native Hawaiians;

15. H.Res. 578—Congratulating home educators and home schooled students;

16. H.R. 4292—Born-Alive Infants Protection Act;

17. H.R. 4259—National Museum of the American Indian Commemorative Coin Act;

18. H.R. \_\_\_\_—United States Mint Numismatic Coin Clarification Act;

19. S. 1295—Lance Corporal Harold Gomez Post Office Designation;

20. H.Res. 547—Peace process in Northern Ireland;

21. H.R. 1248—Violence Against Women Act;

22. H.R. 999—Beaches Environmental Awareness, Cleanup, and Health;

23. H.R. 5175—Relief to Small Businesses from Liability under the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act;

24. H.R. 1795—National Institute of Biomedical Imaging and Engineering Establishment;

25. H.R. 2641—Technical Corrections to Title X of the Energy Policy Act of 1992;

26. H.R. 2346—Enforcement of FCC regulations regarding use of citizens band radio equipment;

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